

**STRAN 2-19**

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## **Minutes**

### **Senate Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

February 19, 2019

10:00 a.m.

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**Members Present:** Senators Clements (Chair), Swope (Vice Chair), Boso, Roberts, Jeffries, Beach, and Plymale

**Members Absent:** Senators Boley and Mann

Chair Clements called the meeting to order. The Committee Clerk took a silent roll call and noted the presence of a quorum. Chair Clements recognized Vice Chair Swope, who moved the minutes of the meeting on February 15, 2019. Upon voice vote, that motion was adopted.

#### **S. B. 493 - Correcting terminology referring to racing vehicles illegally on street.**

Chair Clements recognized Committee Counsel, Marey Casey, to explain the bill in lieu of having it read. Counsel explained the bill. Vice Chair Swope moved the bill be reported with the recommendation that it do pass. Upon voice vote, the motion was adopted.

#### **S. B. 543 - Relating generally to automobile warranties and inspections.**

Chair Clements recognized Committee Counsel, Marey Casey, to explain the proposed committee substitute. Counsel explained the bill and committee substitute and answered questions from the committee.

With leave of the committee, upon request of Senator Beach, Chair Clements recognized and swore in David McMahon, consumer advocate and attorney, to speak and answer questions from the committee. Mr. McMahon spoke against the legislation and answered questions.

Chair Clements asked if anyone else would like to speak to the bill. With leave of the committee, the Chair recognized and swore in Ruth Lemmon, President of West Virginia Automobile and Truck Dealers Association, who spoke in favor of permitting "as is" sales. With leave of the committee, the Chair recognized and swore in Major Reginald Patterson, West Virginia State Police, who spoke in favor of the vehicle inspection program and answered questions from the committee. Chair Clements then recognized and swore in Maria Brown, shop owner of Brown's Tire, Towing and Auto Care Center, Inc. in Shepherdstown, WV. Ms. Brown spoke in favor of the vehicle inspection program and answered questions from the committee.

Chair Clements noted that the discussion on SB 543 would continue during the next meeting, on February 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Vice Chair Swope moved to adjourn. Upon voice vote, the motion was adopted.

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Charles H. Clements, Chair

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Marey Casey, Committee Counsel

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Tina Burs, Committee Clerk